Weather

No one lives at the airport. So why is Philly's snowfall measured there?

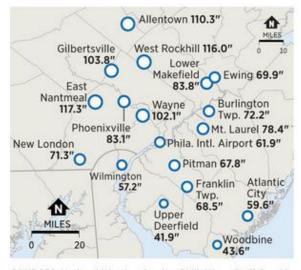
Snow totals in some areas north and west of the city have been 50 percent higher than the airport's.

PHL had a three-season total of 61.9 inches for winters 2016-17 through 2018-19 — close to long-term averages. On the full 18-station list, that put it ahead of only two locations in deep South Jersey and the airport stations of Atlantic City and Wilmington.

By contrast, more than 100 inches of snow was reported for the three seasons in four locations north and west of Philadelphia.

Regional Snow Totals From the Last Three Winters

Totals from the winters of 2016-17 to 2018-19.



SOURCES: National Weather Service; PhillyWx Staff Graphic

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